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MH waives fees for affordable housing project

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

A unanimous vote was reached by Minden Hills Township to waive the estimated fees for the Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Housing Corporation's Highway 35 Affordable Housing Project at council's regular meeting on Thursday, Sept. 9 and will help the county in achieving targets for the 2029 homelessness plan.

Part of the vote included an action that "council direct staff for the execution of a cost sharing agreement for the waiving of specified fees for the Highway 35 affordable housing project."

The start time for the project is unknown.

Councillor Bob Carter said there remains an unresolved issue with the Ministry of Transportation.

"We all know how quickly they work, but all the funding, the various seed funding for the project, all the applications are in, but now you're dealing with CMHC [Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation] that also works at a pace they determine on their own, so we don't know," he said.

The CMHC is a national housing agency that helps with financing for first time home buyers, and the issue for the Ministry of Transportation is road access such as turning lanes said Minden Hills CAO Trisha McKibbin.

This process all started with a report on the Affordable Housing Program recommended projects made by the manager of human services for the City of Kawartha Lakes to Minden Council at a regular meeting on Feb. 25. The program enables interested

parties and individuals to apply for funding and incentives for the creation of affordable housing units, which can assist Haliburton County in achieving targets established in the 2020-2029 Housing and Homelessness Plan, City of Kawatha Lakes Report HH2019-010-2020-2029 Housing and Homelessness Plan.

A report from Jan. 27, 2021, Affordable Housing Target Program, listed the request for support in the form of municipal incentives for projects led by Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Housing and Places for People be received, as part of the Affordable Housing Target Program, providing 47 affordable housing units in the Haliburton County to be supported.

McKibbin said at the beginning of the year Haliburton County approved several projects.

"I know that council is very much aware we do have within the County and Minden Hills is a lack of purpose-built rental units, and rental properties are few and far between and it is a challenge for new residents, current residents and future residents to find housing in the community," she said.

She adds to address the targets to be met in the homelessness plans that proponents cannot create affordable housing without some level of funding or support.

"Through this program proponents can seek funding, incentives or policy support," she said. "Interested proponents can be any one of the five: they can be private developers, community housing providers, affordable housing providers, community agencies and residents that can apply for this funding."

KLH Housing Corporation made the request for support from Haliburton County and Minden Hills Township to acquire relief, exemptions and the waiving of fees for its 36

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Archie Stouffer community warmly welcomes new principal

by GRACE OBORNE
Times Staff

A new school year has just begun, where children and teachers just can't wait to get back into the classroom.

Alongside a new school year, the Archie Stouffer Elementary School community welcomed their new principal, Dawn Sudsbury, with open arms.

"The community has certainly reached out to welcome me. I've had some emails and many phone calls from parents. Even as parents dropped off their children in the morning, they have welcomed me with warm hellos. It felt really welcoming," she recalled.

Over the summer, Sudsbury had the chance to act as the summer school principal. This position ultimately gave her a head start in getting to know the staff and students.

"I've just been so excited to meet the students. I was actually the summer school principal this year, so I had an opportunity to be at Archie Stouffer throughout the summer, and met some of the students then. I was so super thrilled to meet the kids and they've also been so welcoming."

Sudsbury has always had a strong passion for education and student voice. Prior to taking on this leadership role at Archie Stouffer, she was a principal three times at different schools, she was a vice principal, and has taught in the classroom for several years.

"I have been a principal, this is my third school, and prior to that I was the vice principal. For me, being in a leadership role, is being able to influence a lot of people. As a principal, you're influencing staff, the community and the kids,"

"I also have a really strong passion for curriculum and ensuring that we have high academic achievement. That is the forefront of my leadership style and how we get there is working collaboratively, so that's something I'm very passionate about," she said.

Sudsbury studied education in University and spent a lot of time with her mother, volunteering in various classrooms as a young adult.

"I did a kinesiology program at York University, and then I did my Bachelor of Education at York University as well. I was always passionate about education. My mom was an educational assistant, therefore I spent a lot of time volunteering in schools with her. As a teenager, I spent a lot of time volunteering in different schools in our area and it was something that really made me realize that teaching was the path that I wanted to follow,"

Accompanied by the inspiration of her mother, Sudsbury also remembers the impact a teacher she once had left on her.

"Mrs. Vernon, who was a classroom teacher that I had through out of elementary school, was also one of my inspirations for following the path of education.. She was my classroom teacher for several years at Norland Public School, and what I took from her is that she made every child feel special and that they belonged,"

"At the same time, she held high expectations for us to be the best that we could be, and that's sort of the same philosophy that I've taken into education," recalled Sudsbury.

In such an important leadership role, Sudsbury's ultimate goal is to make sure that the students and staff of Archie Stouffer feel safe and welcome. She feels that past leaders of the school did an terrific job of building a relationship with Minden and the extended community, and hopes to carry that on.

"For me, my goal is to continue that legacy that was left here at Archie Stouffer. I really want to focus on supporting our students in terms of their academic achievement and our success and putting in place the tools, the resources, and the strategies that they need to reach their full potential. I want to keep building a community relationship with the Minden community and the extended community while making sure our students are safe."

Sudsbury takes prides in her leadership style, "I think that my leadership style is one of collaboration, teamwork, working side by side and learning with the staff. That's what I pride myself on. I have a strong curriculum background and a strong special education background, so I think I bring that to the table in terms of my leadership. Helping with providing programming and support for our students so that they can reach their potential," she said.



Archie Stouffer Elementary School's new principal Dawn Sudsbury, who takes over from Jane Austin. /DARREN LUM Staff

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I think that kids are our future and they are just amazing in general.

— DAWN SUDBURY

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The well-being of children and students are the most important aspect of being a principal, especially during unprecedented times.

"I feel that our kids today are in a unique position. Our world is changing so quickly and I think that the kids today are really going to make a difference in where our world continues to go, whether that's in environmental stewardship, or problem solving for issues that we face as a society. I think that we have a changing, ideal of how the world should be and our kids see the world in a very collaborative way. I just want to be able to hone in on that and make sure that they have the power and feel that they have a voice to really affect both their own future and the future of our entire world," said Sudsbury.

"I think that kids are our future and they are just amazing in general. They have so much to offer and so much potential. I feel that I learn so much every day working with children and they are the reason I come to school every day, come to work every day. I love seeing them, I love spending time with them. I love learning along with them," she added.

Sudsbury can't wait to continue her time at Archie Stouffer. She is excited to meet the students, to meet the parents, to continue working with her amazing staff and to make this school year one that kids can look forward too.

"I just want the community to know that I'm excited to be here. Right now it can't be an open door policy because of COVID, but it's an open communication policy and I'm open to suggestions. I'm excited for when we can finally get to meet in person and I just am really appreciative of the welcomes that I've already had. I just love the feel of the school and the feel of the community and I'm really happy to be part of it. I hope I am for a long time to come," she said.

Expected benefits with realization of affordable housing project

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unit dwelling at Hwy. 35 and County Road 21.

Specifically for Minden Hills, the corporation requested the waiving of fees related to site plan application fees, site plan security, water and sewer connection fee and the exemption of a building permit fee and the parkland levy. These amounts total \$28,055, not including parkland levy and the site plan security because it will be determined by the site plan agreement. The total value of the support KLH Housing Corporation is seeking was \$391,055, which includes debt servicing assistance from the City of Kawartha Lakes.

Minden will enter into an agreement with the City of Kawartha Lakes, which includes an aspect of accountability that if the proponent doesn't fulfill requirements that they are subject to reimburse the township, the county and the city.

McKibbin said after consulting with township planner, Amanda Dougherty about the waiving of securities, which typically ensures proposals are met, that the waiving of fees can still be done "but that the language in the agreement is beefed up to ensure that all site plan requirements must be met. So, instead of requiring the securities, we'll just tighten the language in the agreement," she said.

Just prior to the unanimous vote, Deputy Mayor Lisa Schell, who chaired the meeting in place of an absent Mayor Brent Devolin said, "It's nothing new we haven't done before as a municipality. We certainly support this type of programming."

At the start of the year, Haliburton County recommended projects and Minden Hills acknowledged a lack of purpose built rental units.

"Rental properties are few and far between and it is a challenge for new residents, current residents and future residents to find housing in the community," McKibbin said.

She noted credit for this project goes to Hope Lee, CEO of KLH Housing Corporation.

Concern was raised about the potential for additional fees will be needed to be waived than what is agreed to by Councillor Jean Neville, who sited what happened with the affordable housing project beside the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena.

"Just wanted to ensure – I don't know maybe we can't ensure that doesn't happen again – but it turned out to be a lot more than the original ask," she said.

Carter said that scenario was unique to that project.

"The last time was because of the road and the parking. The way the road is shaped and the back of the arena parking lot. There were some additions there. It was who was going to pave it and all sorts of things like that."

Neville believed a similar scenario could present itself with the latest project.

"Just bringing that forward," she said.

Appreciative for the thorough report presented, Councillor Pam Sayne expressed the township's support before the vote and noted the differences between this project and the project located beside the arena.

"This is a situation where the land has been donated by a private citizen, which is very different from the situation we had where we had donated the land for the previous housing we worked with them on," she said. "Also, our downtown has been screaming for affordable housing so they can be em-

ployed in our downtown areas. This is going to be big boost for our community and I'm looking forward to the shovels in the ground, so thank you for all the detail in the report and I'm glad it's moving forward, thanks. And thank you to the county."



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September 30 – Regular Council Meeting 9:30 AM
October 14 – Regular Council Meeting

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Minden's On the Spot variety store transitions to new ownership

by GRACE OBORNE
Times Staff

The neighbourhood's one stop store for everything has gained a new owner who wants nothing more than to make local life even more convenient.

On April 17, Mary Douglas accepted a new challenge and became the new owner of On the Spot while still being the owner of The Fast Lane bowling alley.

"It has been quite the learning experience because I've never been involved in a retail business like this before. One night I was bored and just googled businesses for sale in Minden because I thought that I needed to do something else because the bowling alley is closed more than it's open. Then I saw the listing and called my real estate agent the next day, now here I am," said Douglas.

The pandemic was truly what pushed Douglas to pursue this position. Though she has taken on a new leadership role at On the Spot, she still plans to divide her time with the bowling alley as well.

"I needed something that was deemed essential, because the bowling alley, my other business, was not thriving because of COVID. It is old, but hopefully it will open again. I need more league bowlers to make it worthwhile, because it would be a shame to see it close."

Douglas has lived in Minden for about 17 years and has seen exactly what Minden residents are looking for in a variety store. Along with still being Minden's Lottery Central, Douglas has been occupied with making positive changes to the store.



The On the Spot convenience store in Minden team includes Kerri Lynne Austin, from left, owner Mary Douglas and Jacqueline Simpson. Douglas took ownership of the downtown Minden store earlier this year on April 17. /DARREN LUM Staff

"An ATM machine has been added, pick-up and drop off of parcels have been added, and we've included fresh baked goods to the store. Every morning we make our own muf-

fins and cinnamon buns and croissants and cookies. We also added stone baked pizza slices during the lunch hour and hope that more hot lunches are to come, especially for

the students," said Douglas.

"The store next week will hopefully be re-merchandised. The whole front of the store

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Minden convenience store gets facelift

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looks different. I had a new sign put up, it has been freshly painted, the windows are all open so you can see right into the store and there is more to come, but I'm still waiting on approval," she added.

In addition to carrying the necessities such as milk, bread, eggs, and all the other convenient store items, Douglas has taken feedback from customers about what they feel is missing in the area.

"I'm hoping to have M&M Meat because there's no M&Ms now around here. The one in Haliburton closed and from the feedback I've heard, customers want it," she said.

While still being mid-pandemic, Douglas has made it clear that the store is following COVID-19 protocols.

"My employees and I have been following COVID-19 rules and we make sure that every customer follows the rules as well. We have hand sanitizer at the door, we have hand sanitizer at the counter, we are constantly cleaning all the surfaces, we wear our masks, and we allow no more than eight people in the store at a time," Douglas said.

A lot of time has been spent refurbishing the store. Douglas, her two employees, and volunteers from family and friends have all spent days piecing the store to perfection and she wants to extend a huge thank you.

"There's a lot of people that helped me that volunteered their time to get the store looking

the way it is and my two employees, without them, the store wouldn't be where it is."

"Jacqueline Simpson and Kerri Lynne Austin are my employees and I give a huge thank you to them for all they do. The store wouldn't run the same without them. Also a big thank you to family and friends who took the time to come help out to make the store what it is today; Rick West, Barry Simpson, Bonnie and Cam Grozelle, Ron and Loretta Cummings, Dave Hulbig, Mark and Claudette Christiano, Jaclynne Cooney and Bruce Lowther," she added.

The store has already gotten such positive feedback from the community. Local residents and even cottagers are impressed with the changes and the direction the store is headed in under Douglas' ownership.

"The response has been that the store is so clean and so bright. There's music always playing and it is just a happy environment. It doesn't matter when I come in to work, whoever is there working is always friendly and helpful and I think customers feel that way too," Douglas concluded.

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Quick work contains Minden metal yard fire

by **DARREN LUM**
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"Upon arrival with our first tanker we were updated that Minden had better control than anticipated and the second tanker was turned back for home. The first tanker did unload about a quarter of its capacity before it also returned," he wrote in an email.

The neighbouring department provided help with transferring water to the site of the fire from a water supply and remained at the scene for close to 40 minutes, he added.

Chumbley explained mutual aid is "a request made by a neighbouring department for more manpower, specific equipment or a combination of both. There is no monetary exchange for this. It is more of a 'you scratch my back and I will scratch yours' situation." He added the sharing of resources over time is mutually beneficial.

On behalf of the Minden Hills Fire Department, Johnson thanked the Dysart Fire Department for its assistance.

"The Minden Hills Fire department would like to thank Dysart and the volunteers that worked on controlling this fire and that we are grateful for all of the assistance that the volunteers provide our community. It is equally important that if anyone notices any smoke or fires that they should report it, we will be more than happy to check it out," he wrote.

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Perfection lies in taking away

AS HUMAN beings, we are hardwired to collect. Our instincts to do so are biologically and culturally reinforced. As hunter-gathers, our survival depended on grabbing as much as we could in the shortest amount of time possible. Our internal reward systems have encoded collecting so deeply as a beneficial practice that some people have trouble overriding this instinct. In fact, under certain conditions, all of us have trouble keeping these instincts under control.

Many retailers and social media platforms have figured out how to trip our reward system so that we get a rush of dopamine every time we get a new follower or collect a point on a frequent shopper's program. It is for this reason that many of us can lose hours of time after checking just one social media post. The parts of our brain that are responsible for rational thought and delayed gratification are hijacked and, when they are dialed down, our automatic impulses take over.

On the surface, having more of something seems like a good thing. However, if you dig down a little further, you might quickly begin to see that when we gather more of something, we have less space left for future opportunities.

Striving for virtuous abundance, that sweet spot between having just enough and having something leftover to share with others, takes a lot of practice. We do not need to practice what comes instinctively; we do need to practice what does not.

Practising giving things away; saying no to opportunities and declining offers to do things can at times feel both awkward and scary.



KATRINA BOGUSKI
Editor

However, if you want to make space on your plate for those things you do not have but would like to enjoy, you will need to protect the limited space you have, or give something away.

Making space for new opportunities includes making physical space to receive actual objects and making space on your calendar. All of us, no matter what our incomes are, have the exact same number of minutes in a week.

What do you do with the 10,080 allotted to you each week? By subtracting the useless things, the damaging things, and the just plain stupid things, we all do each week, we may find that we have more time to do the things that are important to us and that will serve us well in the future. If we are on solid ground using our 10,080 minutes well, we will have more time to help others, more patience for unscheduled calamities and more energy to stand in awe at the wonders that surround us.

Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, author of *The Little Prince* and *Airman's Odyssey* wrote, "Perfection is achieved, not when there is nothing more to add, but when there is nothing left to take away." His advice can be helpful when things go wrong and it seems like we do not have enough time. Since we have exactly the same amount of time as everyone else, our only option is to remove things from our lives that should not be there in first place. If we give up our time spent complaining, our time spent worrying and our time spent doing things that do not serve ourselves and others well, we might soon find that 10,080 is the perfect amount of time required to do all of the things we need to accomplish.

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Kwarky



"The first rule of essay club is to never mention the word essay in the essay."

Getting ready for the grouse opener

BY THE time you read this, the season for ruffed grouse will be open in some of Ontario's Wildlife Management units. Make no mistake. This is a cruel joke perpetrated on the hunter.

The early season, when the underbrush and foliage is thickest, is perhaps the most difficult time to hunt grouse.

Sure, you can blunder through the cover to find and flush them in the early season. The issue is, most times you can't see them. That's why most sane upland bird hunters wait until the leaf cover thins out a bit. Those conditions are conducive to actually getting a bead on a grouse that flushes off.

Most of the problems encountered in the early grouse season can be directly attributed to lack of preparation – or worse still, the wrong preparation.

For instance, most grouse shooters will go to the range and happily do a bit of skeet or trap shooting, thinking that this will help them during those early season hunts.

I prefer a more authentic type of shooting practice in which I quickly shoulder my unloaded shotgun, swing it at an imaginary crossing grouse, and pull the trigger as soon as my bead lines up with a thick-trunked tree. For, as anybody who has ever hunted grouse on opening day knows, this is what happens 99 per cent of the time.

If you practice this a few hundred times, you won't be so upset when it happens several times on opening day.

You also have to train your grouse dog for the early season. I prefer extended games of hide and seek, because on opening day, once you let your pup loose in that

thick cover, you might not see him or her again until the day is over, even though she's likely never more than 20 feet away. Unless you go back to the truck for a sensible nap too.

Some people swear that using a dog bell can make keeping in contact easier, but I have never found a collar that fits me right.

A hunter would also be wise to practice methods of extricating him or herself from places where burrs abound – or at least practice calling an emergency contact number and a using a GPS so that the rescue crews can eventually find them.

It would also be prudent to spend time in front of a mirror and practice saying, "That's right, I got all of these birds on the wing" so that, when you get home with birds you shot as they sauntered unsuspectingly on the trail or forest floor, you can actually say that to your hunting buddies in a convincing manner.

All this is to say, early season grouse hunting is, and has always been, an exercise in futility. It is so frustrating, in fact, that only a true dimwit would actually decide to get out there when the leaf cover and underbrush are thickest. Especially when it is just to flush a bird that you will only hear take off or, at best, catch a millisecond-long glimpse of.

Honestly, only a complete fool would subject himself to punctures from hawthorns, blackberry and raspberry canes and other hellish shrubs just to move a bird that will only flush after you are so entangled you can't even raise your gun.

So, to summarize: I'll be there bright and early. Heck, I wouldn't miss it for the world.



STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Thinking about sectionalism

DUK IS FALLING over the federal election campaign. Soon it will be dark, the campaigning over, and an election result presumably known Monday night.

But after listening to all the promises, all the hyperbole and examination of the issues, I'm still wondering why one of the real issues troubling Canada has not been whispered.

That issue starts with 'se' and ends with 'ism'.

If you are thinking separation, you are wrong. Talk of Quebec separation has been around since the beginning and will be with us long into the future.



JIM POLING SR.
From *Shaman's Rock*

and the Rocky Mountains which leave B.C. perched alone on the edge of the Pacific Ocean.

Above all this is the barely populated North, separated mainly by geology and climate.

None of this is new. Canada always has been like this.

However, it seems that the different sections, or regions, of our country are losing touch with each other. We don't know each other as well as we used to and each section has been going its own way with less thought about the concerns, problems and dreams of the others.

This certainly has affected our politics. Our federal politics are controlled by one section – Central Canada. Sure, we elect MPs from all parts of Canada, but the power and decisions really lie with people from Central Canada, which is southern Ontario and Quebec.

For instance, the three politicians with any chance of becoming prime minister next week – Justin Trudeau, Erin O'Toole and Jagmeet Singh – all are products of the Central Canadian core: Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal.

In the last 100 years, 11 of 14 prime ministers have been from Central Canada. Richard Bennett was from New Brunswick (1930-1935), Alberta's Joe Clark served less than a year in 1979-80 and Kim Campbell of B.C. did less than six months in 1993.

What our country needs is more ideas and more leadership from all sections of the country. We also need to know more about each other, and understand each other, so it becomes easier for us to work together.

Despite the marvels of modern communication technology, Canadians know less about each other than in the past.

Two years ago, Historica Canada, an organization dedicated to enhancing awareness of the country's history and citizenship, conducted a survey that shows just how little we know about ourselves and our history.

Sixty-seven per cent of those who completed the survey got a failing grade.

Scores were particularly poor for questions about Canadian science and innovation. Most test takers did not know that the world's first Internet archive and the Jolly Jumper baby exercise swing were Canadian inventions.

I suppose it is not critical that we all know that, or that most Historica survey takers did not know that the first recorded instance of Hallowe'en costume dressing in North America was documented in Vancouver in 1898. But knowing more about other regions and their people, even if it is just trivia, helps us to understand each other.

Complicating Canada's sectionalism problem is the fact that most of the sections hug the American border. A majority of Canadians live within 160 kilometres of the U.S. border and have a huge amount of their facts, opinions, and ideas influenced by American culture.

We need to work at ensuring a unified Canadian identity and increasing sectionalism will not help us to do that. Allowing sectionalism to grow will make Canada a series of islands that do what they think best for themselves instead of the overall country.

Sectionalism is not the biggest issue we have considering what we've been going through with COVID and climate change. It is, however, something worth thinking about.

Join the Fridays for Future global climate strike

Environment Haliburton (EH!) and Concerned Citizens of Haliburton County (CCHC) invite you to join the next Fridays for Future global climate strike, #UpRootTheSystem!

Friday, Sept. 24, noon. to 1 p.m.

Meet at the River Cone In downtown Minden.

We will follow COVID-19 protocols and will

keep the public aware of any last minute changes on our Facebook pages and local radio.

Please wear a mask, remember to walk 6 feet apart and bring your sign!

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Hardwired survival instincts

ARE YOU someone who finds it difficult to lose weight (I am)? Most of us blame ourselves for this shortcoming but it's not entirely our fault. We are hardwired to conserve energy. Energy is needed to fuel the fight or flight response that is built into us in case there is a life threatening situation that might present itself. Personally, in all my years on this planet, I have not found myself in that situation. Last time I looked, the sabre-toothed tiger was extinct. This hardwired instinct is failing us now.

Tied into "flight or fight" is the "feast or famine" response. During the historical periods of famine humans would feast when food was available. This survival instinct is so deeply ingrained in us that it's hard to shake. Sure, we talk about not having willpower when we consume excess calories but what if this is not about having the strength needed to pass on the donut? What if this is about out-smarting our instincts?

The first hurdle to overcome is understanding and accepting that we are being manipulated by the food industry. There is documented proof that a combination of sugar, fat and/or salt is addictive. Think about something you ate recently that had that combination in the ingredients (potato chips, chocolate bar, French fries, cheeseburger, ice cream, etc.). It is hard to stop at just a little bit. The more you eat, the more money the food industry makes. This combination of ingredients and our hard-



LAURIE SWEIG
Practical Fitness

wired survival instincts are setting us up for weight loss/management failure.

Taking back control is possible. It might be a long road with lots of bumps but it is possible. It starts with awareness. There's a wonderful strategy used to help children with their behaviours. Essentially we're all just big kids so it can work for us too! Train yourself to say: STOP – THINK –

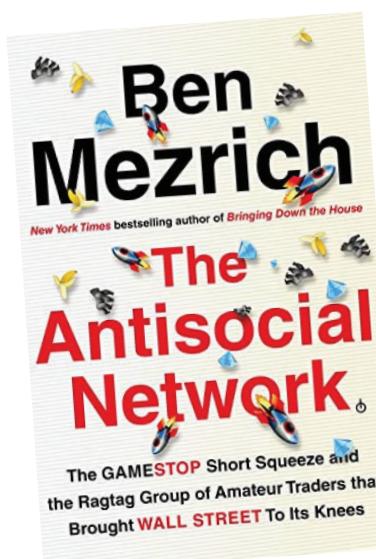
GO before you reach for food. Imagine this: you're at the grocery store automatically reaching for your favourite box of cereal but you stop. You look at the box with the mouth watering picture on it. All of the sudden you're feeling ready for breakfast but you turn over the box and read the ingredients. There it is – sugar, fat and salt. You put the box back on the shelf. As you're standing there pondering the best choice for breakfast you look down and notice that on the handle of the grocery cart it says "CRAVE MORE". How is that helpful?! Let me answer that for you – it's not!

Survival instincts are part of us for a good reason. We do not need them in the same way any of our ancestors did. It's time that we figure out how to have them work for us and not against us.

Something to think about.

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HCPL's Nonfic Pick - September



A definitive take on the wildest story of the year – the David-vs.-Goliath GameStop short squeeze, a tale of fortunes won and lost overnight that may end up changing Wall Street forever. Bestselling author Ben Mezrich offers a gripping, beat-by-beat account of how a group of private investors and internet trolls on a subreddit called WallStreetBets took down one of the biggest hedge funds on Wall Street, firing the first shot in a revolution that threatens to upend the establishment. At first, WallStreetBets was a joke – a meme-filled place to share shoot-the-moon investment tips, and post diamond hand emojis. Until some members noticed an opportunity in GameStop, an aging videogame retailer – and made tens of millions of dollars overnight. In pulse-pounding prose, *The Antisocial Network* offers a fascinating glimpse at the outsize personalities, corporate drama, and underestimated heroes who captivated the nation during one of the most volatile weeks in financial history. Check it out from Haliburton County Public Library today.



A Haliburton County Huskies player moves the puck, attempting to evade a defender. Note: The "W" on the jerseys is for Whitby where the Huskies team moved from playing last season.

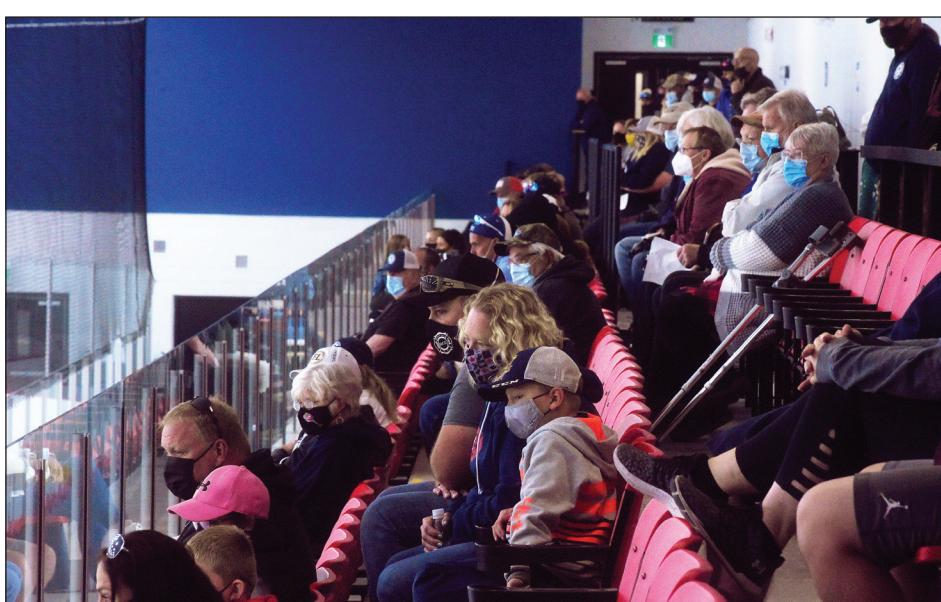


All in the family

The Haiburton County Huskies brought hits and goals during the team's first ever Blue vs. White intersquad game this past Saturday, Sept. 11 at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. Team White won 5-3. The Huskies' pre-season continues with a home game against the Aurora Tigers at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 18 and then against the Collingwood Blues a week later at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 25. The team's home opener is against the Lindsay Muskies at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 2. All home games are at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden./DARREN LUM Staff



Huskies player Oliver Tarr breaks past a pair of Blue defenders.



Fans and supporters of the Haiburton County Huskies watch the Blue vs. White intersquad game

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Inductee was an athlete, builder and lover of community

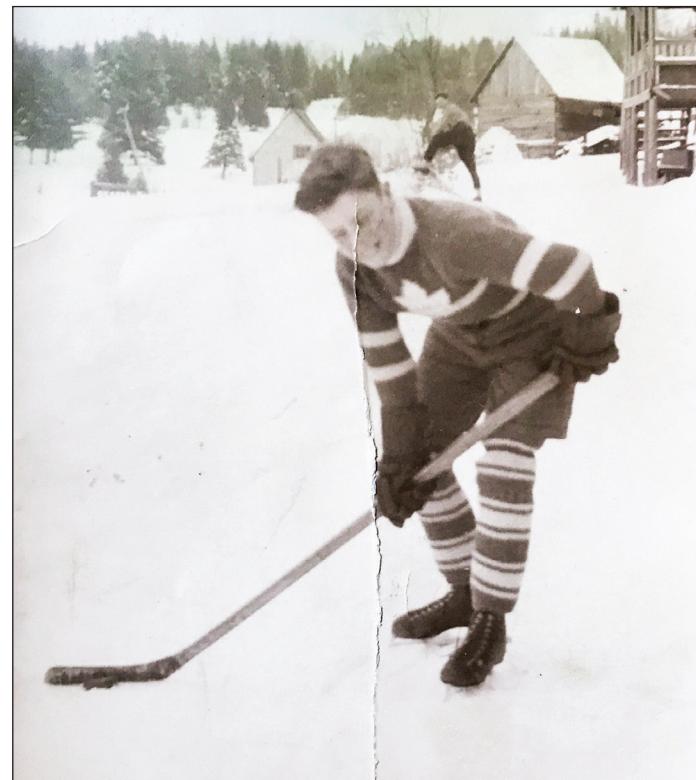
by DARREN LUM
Times Staff

Haliburton Highlands Hall of Fame inductee Joe Iles has been gone now since 2011, but he will never be forgotten for how he wowed a record number of Haliburton Huskies fans as a teenager with a game-winning over-time goal (his third in the game) to win the Porter Cup in Haliburton in 1945, or how he was instrumental in mentoring and shaping young minds as a hockey coach, or how he helped to be among the builders and pillars of this community with his involvement as a businessman, firefighter, presidents of the minor hockey association and curling club and work with the Rotary Club. He is the epitome of hard work, commitment and represents what is possible when one cares for others to be their best.

Fellow Hall of Fame inductee Lenny Salvatori, 92, said he was there when the Huskies won the Porter Cup in 1945.

"He was THE defenceman. There was nobody else that was as good as Joe as a defenceman. They were good, but not Joe's quality," he said of the inductee entering as a player.

Salvatori remembers seeing Joe regularly break up offensive rushes with his long reach of his stick and understanding of angles to cover opponents looking to score. Conversely, Joe often carried the puck up the ice, using his long strides to gain the offensive zone. He wasn't necessarily a big hitter and didn't have a booming slapshot, but his wrist shot was precise and he had scored many goals from the blueline. At a little more



Above, a photo of Jean and Joe Iles in 1955. Submitted by Doreen Rae.

Left, Joe Iles was an all-star as a junior player, playing at Maple Leaf Gardens. /Submitted by Mike Iles

than six-feet tall, Joe was a solid defenceman. He needed to be. Salvatori said Joe would play close to 60 minutes a game for the Huskies. He led the team to three Ontario Rural Hockey Association Finals in the late-1940s and he finished with a Huskies' career that spanned from 1942 to 1955 as a player and, starting at 20. Two years after the Porter Cup game he was a member of the 1947 OHA junior all-star team that played in Maple Leaf Gardens – an athletic highlight. Although

hockey was his game, Joe also played fast-pitch, golfed and curled, winning numerous trophies and team and individual titles.

Salvatori and Joe were long time friends, who worked together at Curry Motors for 45 years. Salvatori was the body shop manager and Joe was the sales manager. They didn't always agree on things discussed, but respected each other, so their friendship endured and wasn't undone by their stubbornness.

As far as how he thinks his friend would

regard the induction?

"It might be good and it might be bad. I don't know, but that's the kind of person he was," he said. "He had a strong mind and he could tell you what he thought about everything. We had several arguments about that. We got along all those years, working together," he said.

Iles was born Donald Beverly Iles in Haliburton on May 14, 1927, but everyone

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Born Donald Beverly, everyone knew him as Joe

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knew him as Joe.

He was the eldest son in a family with four younger sisters. His love of family and friends is well known.

His youngest sister Doreen Rae has a large collection of old photos, including some with her brother, whom she calls the “perfect brother.”

She remembers taking the train, which used to come into town, to see her brother to play away games.

Her eyes light up, thinking about being an adolescent and needing figure skates for the sport she still loves. One Christmas she remembers how Joe bought and hid a pair of skates behind the washing machine before presenting them to her as a surprise.

The caring heart and gregarious nature was hard to ignore.

His wife Jean of 55 years, who turns 89 later this month, met Joe after she moved to the area in her senior year of high school because of her dad’s work with hydro. She still remembers seeing her future husband pull up to her in his car.

“I was on my way to school and this brand new, beautiful Chev pulled up. He said, ‘Do you want a ride to school? And it was, Joe. He just seemed to see a new person in town, I guess,’ she said.

The famous Golden Slipper dance hall was where the two would dance the night away together, fueling the romance between the

two and the courtship would lead the two to get married and have three children, Joe Iles Jr., Mike and Pam.

She explains she only knew him as Joe.

How he got the name, she said, is a simple story that dates back to when he was a young child and how a family member that lived near to him would give him the name. It stuck.

Jean said her husband’s love of the outdoors was rivalled by all the people he cared for and in many instances the two went hand-in-hand.

“When our kids were about 10-years-old he came home one day and said, ‘We’re going to have a quick lunch and we’re going to go up to Haliburton Forest and I think on the way there is a cottage we’d like to look at and might buy.’ Well, when we got up there we sailed right by the cottage and we ended up in Haliburton Forest,” she said. “He knew there was a trailer for sale in there and so we just went right to it. We opened the door to see what was inside and it was freshly cleaned and waxed. I thought I’m sold already. And the kids went like little chipmunks all over the place, and it was steep walk down to the lake. That was where our life was pretty much up there.”

She adds they spent about 40 years of their lives there and, if they weren’t spending weekends up there during the spring, summer and autumn, they were travelling in and out of the country, which included trips to the Yukon where their son Joe Iles Jr. lives now.

His son Mike said his dad would have been honoured, but humbled and likely would have deflected the praise and his experience being worth crediting.

Life for his dad was about sharing experiences.

When Mike was close to 10-years-old he remembers how they would leave the United Church on Pine Street in Haliburton and go to the Haliburton Golf Course (now the Haliburton Highlands Golf Course) for golf.

“Sundays after we had gone to church we would all – my brother and I, and father – would go golfing, so he instilled in sports and the love of sport at a very young age,” he said.

He said those experiences stand out for him because of the time together and how he saw his dad in his element.

“It was dad through and through. That’s what he loved. He loved the people and the experience and the golf itself was the camaraderie, the jokes, the laughs and the teasing. It was very special for me as a child to be a part of that,” he said.

Mike adds his dad always wanted to make a connection with anybody he met.

Jean laments how there aren’t many relatively new people in the area who know her or her husband’s efforts and achievements.

She believes in the Hall of Fame, which was led by Scotty LaRue, can help to tell her husband’s story that included a commitment to the community because it needed to be done.

“A lot of towns are proud of the people that lived there and the things they’ve done. Joe seemed to have a natural ability. He sort of came forward at times when others wouldn’t be a little shier ... he was interested and liked everybody. He was just ready to take

on the responsibility of being president, or whatever they wanted him to do, you know,” she said.

Joe didn’t finish high school and wasn’t in school long before he started working. He never stopped learning though. Taking his drive, affable nature and commitment to the community with him wherever he worked or volunteered.

He was part of the fabric of the community in a multitude of ways.

Too young to join the military at 14 for the Second World War, he served as a member of the reserve army from 1940 to 1945. He was a businessman with Curry Motors, starting pumping gas and became sales manager and president, coach of minor hockey teams, president of the Haliburton Minor Hockey Association – even help start the Glen Dart Hockey, president of the Haliburton Curling Club, serving more than 40 years with the Haliburton Fire Department from 1946 to 1989, including as fire chief from 1970 to 1973; serving on the executive of minor hockey, or holding a position as president of the Rotary Club in Haliburton from 1964 to 1965 and was among the key figures behind bringing the arena with artificial ice. His special awards, distinctions and citations include being named Rotarian of the Year in 1971, 125th Anniversary Medal of the Confederation of Canada Service to the community.

For all of his service, he still made time to golf, curl, fish, snowmobile and hunt.

His wife said these pursuits were as much about the activity as it was about the people that he did them with.

“And he treasured everyone of them,” she said.

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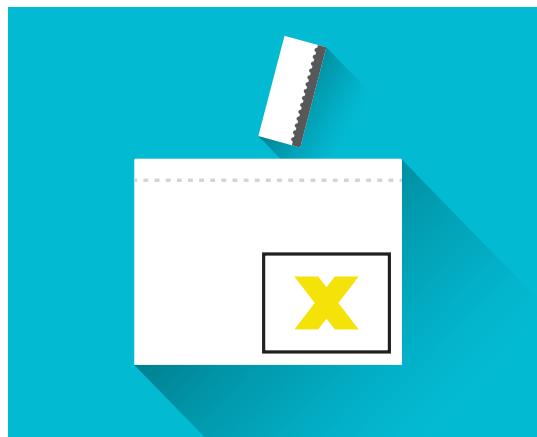
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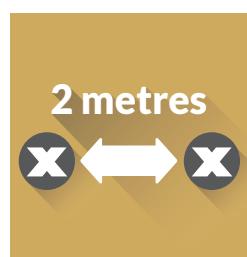
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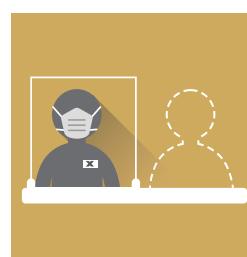
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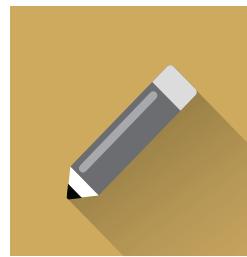


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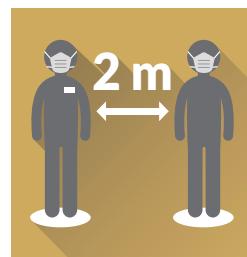
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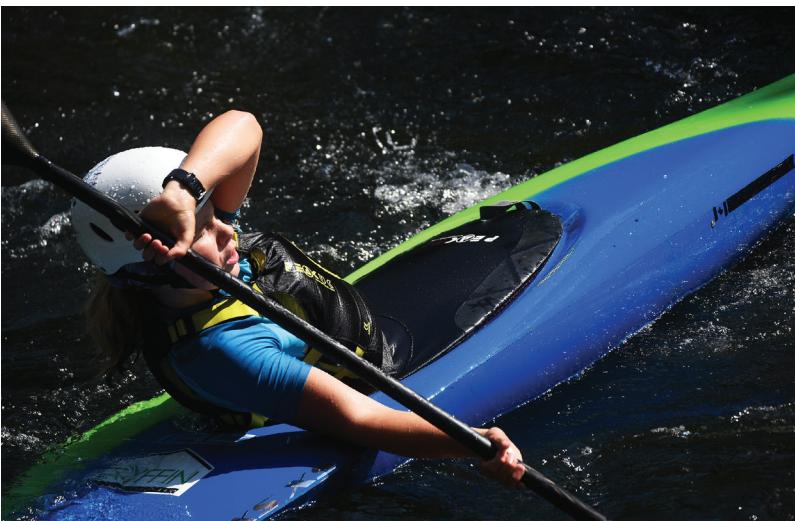
A young paddler maneuvers a section of the Gull River for a recreational run at the Minden Whitewater on Saturday, Sept. 11 despite the cancellation of the 40th annual Gull River Open Canoe Slalom Race scheduled for Sept. 11 and 12. It was cancelled for safety concerns related to high water levels. A social media post said it was the first time the event has ever been cancelled. /DARREN LUM Staff

Below, a recreational kayaker rides a wave on the Gull River.



Recreational paddlers gather before the next feature on the Gull River.

A young recreational paddler leans back, maneuvering the rapids.



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Thunder in the Hills to be hosted at Ray's Place

by GRACE OBORNE
Times Staff

Racers should be prepared to bring the thunder in their off road vehicles because on Sept. 25, Ray's Place is hosting another race for the TMR Customs Off Road Racing Series.

The TMR Customs Off Road Racing Series was created for four wheel drive off road enthusiasts to compete against one another in a fun and safe environment. Race courses can be a challenge that include hills, dirt, jumps, and big rocks.

In the series, there are five races and Thunder in the Hills is the last of five. Ray's Place has also hosted the third race in the series called Mayhem.

"Thunder in the Hills at Ray's Place campground has been around for four years. It's a race in the TMR Customs Off Road racing series where we race different class starting with stock, then modified and then unlimited. It's basically wheel to wheel racing of off road jeeps and buggies in a timely manner," said event coordinator, Todd Folks.

TMR is a company out of Newmarket, Ontario that manufactures off road racing parts and parts for building your off road vehicles, such as Jeeps.

In order to qualify to compete in this series, drivers and riders must wear a HANS device, a five point harness, a fire suit, and obviously a proper helmet. Drivers must have a valid driver's license and have to be 18 years of age. The co-driver being the parents must produce the right form filled out if the driver is 16 years of age.

"There's always the opportunity to have an accident but we do really stringent safety and inspections on the vehicles before each race to make sure everything is safe."

"How it works is that you build your off road vehicle, you have it inspected by the tech inspection people to make sure that it's safe enough to be a part of the racing series, then you produce the safety equipment that you're required to wear while you're in the vehicle racing," said Folks.

Besides the safety protocols for drivers, at off-roading events, there are still COVID-19 protocols put into place for spectators.

"This year, we are following the public based on outdoor events and the numbers. That's how many wristbands we'll sell. Every spectator will also need to buy a wristband," said Scott Boesveld, owner of Ray's Place.

"A wristband will not be sold to a spectator if they don't have a mask. Once they're in, they can walk around. It's all outdoors. Into the trails, there's about a kilometre stretch where we've put two layers of caution tape so no one is where

the vehicles are supposed to drive and about 10 to 20 feet back depending on the obstacle in front of it. We put a second layer of red caution tape and the spectators stand behind that," he added.

"For spectators, there will be two feet of social distancing, hand washing, wearing a mask, and everybody is asked to produce a mask when they come up to purchase the wristband to spectate in the event," said Folks.

"For racers, we consider each race team as a bubble. They all work together to build the race cars, and then they all work together at the event, so they would have their own little bubble," Folks added.

To enter into the race as a driver, it is a \$200 fee per vehicle, and to buy a wristband to be a spectator it is \$20 and for children under 12, it is free of charge as long as they're accompanied by their parents or guardian.

For each race class, there are different teams. From the website, there seems to be about 27 teams in the unlimited class, 11 in the modified class, and 15 in the stock class for the Thunder in the Hills race.

According to Folks, the last race that Ray's Place hosted for TMR, called Mayhem, 436 spectators showed up.

"Depending on the COVID protocols in a normal year, it's as many as wanting. This year, I don't know. Based on how many people are allowed in an outdoor gathering, is how many wristbands we will sell to people to be the spectator area. The spectator area is about a kilometer long," said Boesveld.

Food and drinks will be available at Ray's Place from Val's Food Truck, unless spectators and racers bring food from home. There are intermissions throughout the day where people can enjoy lunch and take a break from racing.

"The check-in time starts at 8 a.m. and the start time is 9 a.m. so depending on the current numbers, unlimited would race by itself for two hours, then if there's not enough cars in stock or unlimited, we would race the two classes together for an hour. Basically, we start at nine o'clock in the morning, and everything is wrapped up by five because we have intermissions between classes," said Folks.

For racers, these events are thrilling and fun. Many off road racers are used to taking their time on trials but seek the adrenaline rush of racing against others.

"Obviously, most people that develop their way into racing, have already been on the trails and are familiar with them. They have already been enjoying the off road lifestyle. They just want to go one step further from crawling around in the trails do some sort of high speed, adrenaline pumping race which is what this series is," Folks added.

The Boesvelds and TMR have a recovery crew on site for race events like Mayhem and Thunder in the Hills.

"There's people that are one, making sure that there's no one crossing the tracks when racers are driving at top speed through them. Then two, there is another crew that have their vehicles in the trail. So people volunteer their personal off road rigs to recover anybody that's either stuck or flipped over. If something falls off of machine, they'll remove that and they have flags all over the track telling other racers that

see OFF-ROADING page 15

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NOTICE SPECIAL MEETING

Strategic Priorities Discussion - Stanhope Municipal Airport

TAKE NOTICE that there will be a Special Meeting of Council on **Thursday, September 23** at **9:00 a.m.** conducted electronically via web conference.

The purpose of the meeting will be for Council to undertake a strategic priorities discussion regarding the Stanhope Municipal Airport.

Members of the Public are invited to observe Council proceedings by joining a live-stream link. The live-stream link can be found in the Council Meeting Notice posted on the Township's website under the News and Notices at www.algonquinhighlands.ca

Dated this 15th day of September, 2021.

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Off-roading event will draw spectators of all ages

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there's an obstruction on the track," said Boesveld.

Off road racing events attract a lot of engagement in Minden and the Haliburton Highlands. Many people who live out of Minden also go out of their way to come spectate at Ray's Place.

"From what we gather, people are coming from other areas. We get a lot of people from Windsor here. I would also say that 70 per cent of our traffic are people that have been coming here for years because they can come and drive their Jeep in a safe manner but not have to worry about making noise at certain times," said Boesveld.

"Ultimately, everybody seems to be really pumped and excited at our races. The kids love it too. We try to have other things happening separate from the races so that there's always something for everybody do," concluded Folks.

Visit the Thunder in the Hills/Mayhem Facebook Group www.facebook.com/groups/168209240449758.

Ray's Place will host two races for TMR Customs Off Road Racing Series this year. Mayhem was one of the two races that Ray's Place hosted the series and the event took place on July 17. In the upcoming weeks, Ray's Place will host Thunder in the Hills on Sept. 25. /Photo Submitted by Muddy Shot Photography



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INSPECTION

Inspection of 2021 – 2022 Annual Work Schedule for Bancroft-Minden Forest

The **October 1, 2021 – March 31, 2022** Annual Work Schedule (AWS) for the **Bancroft-Minden Forest** is available electronically for public viewing by contacting the **Bancroft Minden Forest Company (BMFC)**, during normal business hours and on the Natural Resources Information Portal at <https://nrip.mnr.gov.on.ca/s/fmp-online> beginning **September 15, 2021** and for the remainder of the one-year duration of the AWS.

Scheduled Forest Management Operations

The AWS describes forest operations such as road construction, maintenance and decommissioning, forestry aggregate pits, harvest, site preparation, tree planting and tending that are scheduled to occur during the year.

Tree Planting and Fuelwood

BMFC is responsible for tree planting on the Bancroft-Minden Forest. Please contact the Forest Company listed below for information regarding tree planting job opportunities.

For information on the locations and license requirements for obtaining fuelwood for personal use, please contact the NDMNRF staff listed below. For commercial fuelwood opportunities, please contact the Forest Company listed below.

More Information

For more information on the AWS, to arrange a remote meeting with NDMNRF staff to discuss the AWS or to request AWS summary information, please contact the NDMNRF contact below:

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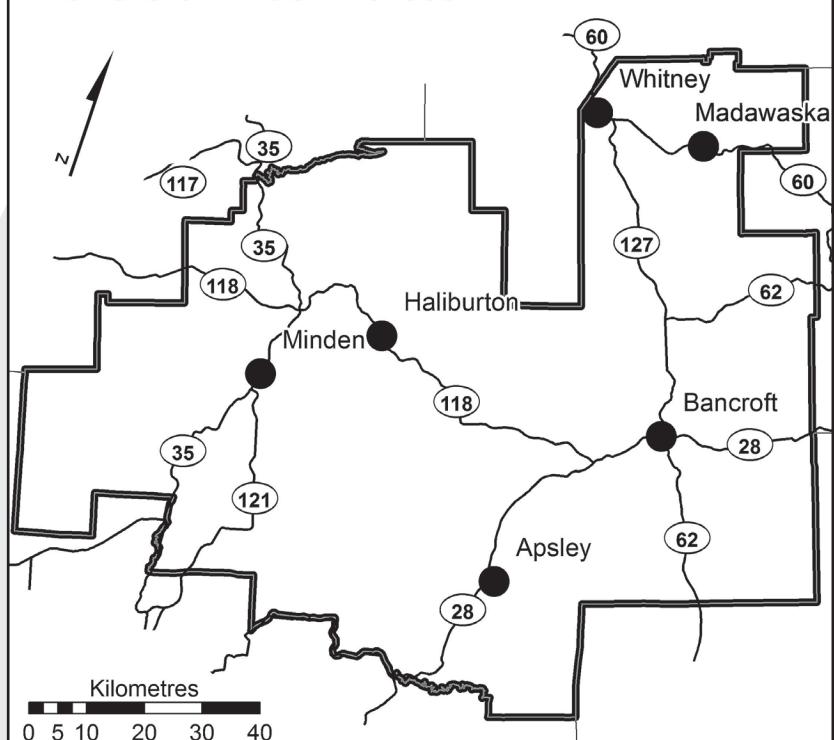
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Stay Involved

Further information on how to get involved in forest management planning and to better understand the stages of public consultation please visit:

<https://www.ontario.ca/document/participate-forest-management-ontario/how-get-involved-forest-management>

Bancroft-Minden Forest



Hunters reminded of fines and the need to be truthful

The Ontario government wants to remind hunters that when party hunting to follow all requirements and not make false statements to conservation officers.

Five people have been fined a total of \$17,900 for illegal moose hunting activities involving a bull and a cow moose that occurred in the Haliburton Forest & Wild Life Reserve.

A resident of Haliburton pleaded

guilty to unlawfully hunting a bull moose without a licence and unlawfully hunting a cow moose without a licence and was fined \$6,000.

A Bobcaygeon resident pleaded guilty to unlawfully hunting a bull moose without a licence and unlawfully hunting a cow moose without a licence and was fined \$5,750.

An Ashburn resident pleaded guilty and was fined \$1,950 for making a false statement to a con-

servation officer and \$1,750 for unlawfully enabling someone else to use a licence or component of a licence issued to oneself.

Another resident of Haliburton pleaded guilty and was fined \$1,750 for unlawfully using a licence, or component of a licence issued to someone else.

Someone from West Guilford pleaded guilty and was fined \$700 for unlawfully transporting wildlife

that was unlawfully killed.

The court heard that on Wednesday Oct. 23, 2019, a conservation officer conducted an inspection of a hunt camp in the Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve, and found a dead cow and calf moose that had been shot. The cow moose had a cow tag attached that was issued to an Ashburn resident and notched for that morning at 8 a.m. The officer spoke with

the individual over the phone who claimed he had been there and left at lunch that day.

The investigation revealed that three moose – a bull, a cow, and a calf – were all harvested on Oct 23, 2019 by a Bobcaygeon resident. There were no individuals with a bull moose tag or cow moose tag actively participating in the hunt when the moose were shot. The bull moose was left in the bush but then later brought out and identified to officers so it wouldn't spoil.

Justice of the Peace Ronald Prestage heard the case remotely in the Ontario Court of Justice on June 15, 2021.

Conservation officers continue to patrol and protect our natural resources during the current COVID-19 pandemic and would like to remind everyone that by respecting seasons, sanctuaries, bag and possession limits, we all help ensure our natural resources stay healthy.

To report a natural resource violation or provide information about an unsolved case, members of the public can call the ministry TIPS line toll free at 1-877-847-7667. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS. For more information about unsolved cases, please visit ontario.ca/mnrtips.

Submitted



INSPECTION

NDMNRF-Approved Forest Management Plan Inspection Bancroft-Minden Forest 2021-2031 Forest Management Plan

The Ontario Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNRF), Bancroft Minden Forest Company (BMFC) and the Bancroft-Minden Local Citizens' Committee (LCC) would like to advise you that the 2021– 2031 Forest Management Plan (FMP) for the Bancroft-Minden Forest has been approved by the NDMNRF Regional Director and is available for inspection.

The Planning Process

The FMP takes approximately three years to complete. During this time, five formal opportunities for public and First Nation and Métis community involvement are provided. The fourth opportunity (Stage Four) for this FMP occurred on March 19, 2021 to May 17, 2021 when the public was invited to review and comment on the draft FMP.

This 'Stage Five' notice is to advise you that the NDMNRF-approved FMP, including the supplementary documentation, and FMP summary are available electronically for inspection for the 10-year duration of the FMP through the office of the sustainable forest licensee and on the Natural Resources Information Portal at <https://nrip.mnr.gov.on.ca/s/fmp-online>.

Interested and affected persons and organizations can arrange a remote meeting with NDMNRF staff with the Bancroft district office to discuss the approved FMP.

For further information, please contact:

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The approved FMP will be available for the 10-year period of the FMP at the same locations listed above.

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<https://www.ontario.ca/document/participate-forest-management-ontario/how-get-involved-forest-management>

The Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNRF) is collecting your personal information and comments under the authority provided by the Forest Management Planning Manual, 2020 approved by regulation under Section 68 of the *Crown Forest Sustainability Act*, 1994. Any personal information you provide (home and/or email address, name, telephone number, etc.) may be used and shared between NDMNRF and/or the sustainable forest licensee to contact you regarding comments submitted. Your comments will become part of the public consultation process and may be shared with the general public. Your personal information may also be used by the NDMNRF to send you further information related to this forest management planning exercise. If you have questions about the use of your personal information, please contact Shari MacDonald, Regional Information Manager, NDMNRF, by e-mail: shari.macdonald@ontario.ca.

Five hundred and sixty-three kilometers

by FRED GROVES
Times Staff

That is the distance between Essex (near Windsor) and Haliburton and I am delighted to have the opportunity to continue my journalism career.

When *Haliburton County Echo* and *Minden Times* Publisher David Zilstra asked me to write an introductory biography, I must admit, I really did not know how to approach my first assignment in my new home.

I drove up on Sunday in my loaded 2010 blue Ford Ranger and once I got past Toronto I was able to settle back, enjoy the ride and truly realize that I have entered paradise. Lakes, trees and small-town atmosphere is what I crave and am looking forward to very much. In the truck with me is a part of my heritage, my grandfather's desk which I plan on writing a novel based upon his remarkable life.

Who I am is not as important as what I am. I am a storyteller and have been for many,

many years. Just how many miles I have logged as a writer and a journalist is something I want to share with each and every one of you. However, I want to do it in a somewhat non-traditional way.

Sure I could tell you how I wrote about the Walkerton Water Inquiry, interviewed Paul Henderson, Don Cherry and chatted with Kim Campbell, but instead of words on a page, I want to do it in person. This is a personal invitation to each and every resident in Haliburton County to join me for a cup of coffee, my treat, at the diner of your choice. Contact me, meet me and tell me about you and I in turn will tell you about myself.

After all, community journalism is about the people who live, work, play and grow in their surroundings and what better way for me to begin to tell your stories than meeting in person?

I consider myself very fortunate to be able to come to Haliburton and my intentions are to provide accurate and honest information to you, the people of Haliburton County. I am an investigative journalist and am not afraid

to look under a rock to get the information you deserve.

Away from the job as a journalist, I intend to immerse myself in the community by walking the trails, paddling the lakes, exploring the Haliburton Forest, and enjoying a rich arts and culture scene. My personal interests are a reflection of what I write – sports, heritage and politics. I see I've come to the right place.

I look forward to meeting you all and to David and the talented, professional staff of the *Echo* and the *Times*, thank you.

New reporter Fred Groves hails from Essex. He is looking forward to working, living and playing in the Highlands. / Submitted



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COUNTY OF HALIBURTON NOTICE OF VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

BACKGROUND:

The County of Haliburton has many lakes that serve important environmental, economic and social roles. The health of our lakes is important for residents and businesses. The County of Haliburton has retained Hutchinson Environmental Sciences Ltd (HESL) and J.L. Richards & Associates Ltd. (JLR) to provide independent professional recommendations on a new Shoreline Preservation By-law for the County. This includes a review of the scientific literature related to shoreline preservation, an environmental scan of other municipalities and consultation to gauge residents and stakeholders opinion and feedback.

PURPOSE:

As part of the public consultation process, HESL and JLR are hosting a Virtual Open House to seek feedback on scientific literature review and options for the shoreline preservation by-law. Due to the present COVID-19 pandemic, a traditional "Open House" cannot be hosted at the Town Hall. The "Virtual" Open House will offer the same sort of viewing and commenting experience remotely.

DATE: Wednesday, September 29, 2021

PLACE: via Zoom

TIME: 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:

1. If you wish to speak at the open house, please register by contacting Stephen Stone, Director of Planning, County of Haliburton at sstone@haliburtoncounty.ca
2. If you do not wish to speak at the open house, you can still view the live stream on the County of Haliburton YouTube Channel: https://youtu.be/80s_ETW9JCA
3. If you are not able to attend the meeting, you can watch a recording of the meeting on the County's YouTube Channel and submit your comments to the contacts listed below.

For more information on the matter, please contact:

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Gaurang Khandelwal, Planner, J.L. Richards and Associates Ltd. 226-770-3317 gkhandelwal@jlrichards.ca

Additional information can be found at <https://www.haliburtoncounty.ca/en/living-here/shoreline-preservation.aspx>

It is advised that this Open House will be video recorded and posted on the County's YouTube Channel. Personal information from those that make either an oral or written submission is collected under the authority of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M. 56, and will become part of the public record.

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Taking the bus is good for the environment, but climbing aboard this one can also give you a shot of protection against COVID-19.

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge

District Health Unit and Ontario government are teaming up to have the GOVAXX bus come to the region this September. A pair of GO buses have been temporarily retrofitted

to serve as mobile COVID-19 vaccine clinics as part of the Province's efforts to target those who have yet to receive a first or second dose. Since hitting the road in August, the buses have visited Canada's Wonderland, Rogers Centre, BMO Field, select shopping malls, various universities/colleges, farmers' markets, festivals and more to provide COVID-19 vaccines.

Now, the GO-VAXX bus is coming to this region to provide COVID-19 vaccines as follows:

- Sunday, Sept. 19, 1 to 4 p.m. at Abbey Gardens (1012 Garden Gate Dr.) in Haliburton County. The site is located 10 minutes from Haliburton Village, towards Carnarvon, just off Highway 118.
- Sunday, Sept. 26, 5 to 9 p.m. at the Lindsay Exhibition (354 Angeline St. S). The timing coincides with the LEX's demolition derby.

"We're pleased to be working with the Province and Metrolinx to bring the GO-VAXX bus to our communities," says Doreen Boville, a Health Promoter with the HKPR District Health Unit. "We encourage anyone who still needs COVID19 vaccine to get aboard the bus and get a first or sec-

ond dose so they are fully protected against COVID-19, especially as we head into a fourth wave."

Anyone wishing to take advantage of the GO-VAXX bus to receive a vaccine is reminded to:

- Bring your health card. If you do not have a health card or your health card is expired, bring another form of government-issued photo identification such as a driver's license, passport, Status card, or birth certificate
- Eat and drink something before you arrive to prevent feeling faint or dizzy while being vaccinated.
- Dress for the weather in case there is a line-up
- Wear clothing that allows for easy access to the upper arm such as a loose-fitting top or T-shirt.
- Wear a mask that covers your nose, mouth, and chin
- Do not visit the GO-VAXX bus if you have symptoms of COVID-19

For media inquiries, contact: Doreen Boville, Health Promoter, HKPR District Health Unit, 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2323.

Submitted



Mobile Go-Vaxx bus rolls into Haliburton and Lindsay.

THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider by-laws to stop up, close, and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

1. **File No. PLSRA2019074:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Vacant Land having Roll Number 4616-051-000-82110 on Cub Trail Road located within Lot 16, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
2. **File No. PLSRA2020001:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of South Beaver Lake, lying in front of 1021 Inside Trail located within Lot 21, Concession 3, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
3. **File No. PLSRA2020030:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Devils Lake, lying in front of 10535 Devils Lake (Water Access Only) located within Lot 24, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
4. **File No. PLSRA2020032:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Moore Lake, lying in front of 1270 Tundra Trail located within Lot 25, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
5. **File No. PLSRA2020053:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of 1187 Bob Beeney Trail located within Lot 16, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
6. **File No. PLSRA2020055:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Minden Lake, lying in front of 1047 Tilley Trail located within Lot 6, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Minden
7. **File No. PLSRA2020072:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Black Lake, lying in front of 10533 Black Lake (Water Access Only) located within Lot 27, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Lutterworth

The above noted plans of surveys are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario by appointment only. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the undersigned or by visiting www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE if deemed advisable, By-laws giving effect to the proposed closure and conveyance will be passed by the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills at its regular meeting on **Thursday, September 30, 2021 at 9:00 AM**, to be held by electronic meeting. Any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected is asked to contact the undersigned at their earliest convenience.

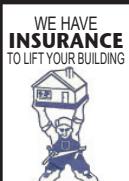
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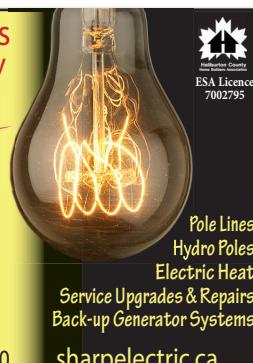
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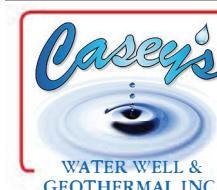
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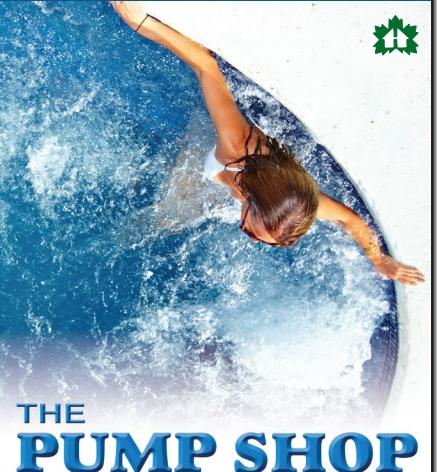
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Please forward a cover letter and resumé to the address below:

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 7217 Gelert Road
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Attention: Kim Robinson, Executive Director

Deadline for applications is September 24, 2021. Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



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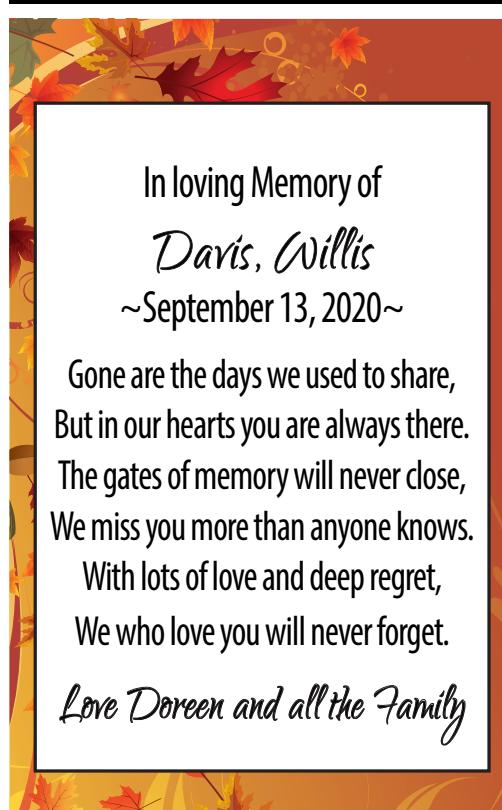


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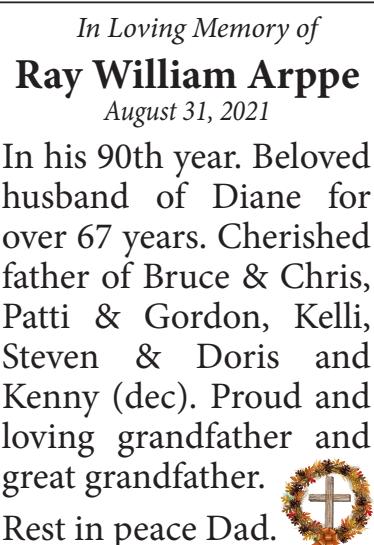
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Joseph Frederick Jennings Kegel
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Beloved husband of Suzie for 64 years. Dear father of Karen (John) Guyatt, Chris (Yailin) Kegel, Darlene (Chris) Lawson, Andrew Kegel, Joe (Bobbi) Kegel, Jonathan (Beckie) Kegel, Tim (Laura) Kegel, Druve (Nancy) Sookram. Loving grandpa of 23 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren. Dear brother of Lillian and Connie (deceased).

The Lord led Joe & Suzie to Halls Lake 32 years ago and with the help of family, friends and neighbours, began the creation of Shalom by the Lake.

Joe will be fondly remembered by all who knew him.

A Celebration of Joe's Life will take place at a later date.

Memorial Donations to Child Evangelism Fellowship of Ontario (STEM Club) or to Ride Nature (the Latin America Mission Base)(cheques only) would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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Ruth was a well respected educator in Toronto, Minden and finally Principal of Victoria Street P.S. in Haliburton. An active member of the Elementary Teachers' Federation while working on her B.A. from Trent University, church organist, founding board member of the current Minden Public Library and avid traveller. Her greatest loves – Family, Faith and Friends. Well done good and faithful servant.

Special thanks to the dedicated and caring staff of Southlake and Amica Newmarket. A private celebration of her life was held at Roadhouse & Rose funeral home, Newmarket. Cremation has taken place as per her wishes. **Interment is on Thursday, September 23, 2021 at 1:30 pm at Carnarvon United Church Cemetery.**

Memorial donations can be made to the Southlake Foundation or the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

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24 hour emerge. approved for Minden Hospital

by Andrew Milne

Minden Hospital will remain open through the night, at least for this winter.

The health services board voted last Friday to keep the facility open 24 hours, at least until the end of the fiscal year — the end of March, 1997.

The board made the decision when it was discovered it was around \$150,000 ahead of budget projections for the year to date.

The move is projected to consume around \$50,000 of that surplus. Some of the remainder will go to funding a salaried position the province will not fund. What's left after that, the board hopes, will become its first budget surplus.

The facility is also expected to run 24 hours through the summer, as per the current operating plan, meaning it's probably now going to be open, day and night, until at least September of 1997.

There were no cheers when the vote passed, though there were a few smiles. It was as though everyone was too tired for applause.

However, county representative Ross Rabjohn, speaking for the finance committee, which suggested the move, did deliver the recommendation with a small flourish.

Said Rabjohn, "It gives me great pleasure to recommend that Minden Hospital be kept open on a 24 hour basis."

A motion based on the recommendation passed later without opposition.

Staff in the wards, reacting to the news Friday night, were elated.

Said one nurse, who asked not to be named, "I think we were really more worried about it from a community standpoint than we were about losing our jobs... We're all members of this community. We have family and friends who come here. Some of us have been here ourselves as patients. Somehow I think it really started to hit home in the last few weeks, when we realized it might not be here."

The decision follows the somewhat raucous events of last month's board meeting, when citizens from Minden's catchment area attended to voice their disapproval that the board was even considering closing Minden Hospital during the night. Regional tensions flared briefly, as some accused the board of favouring Haliburton's catchment area.

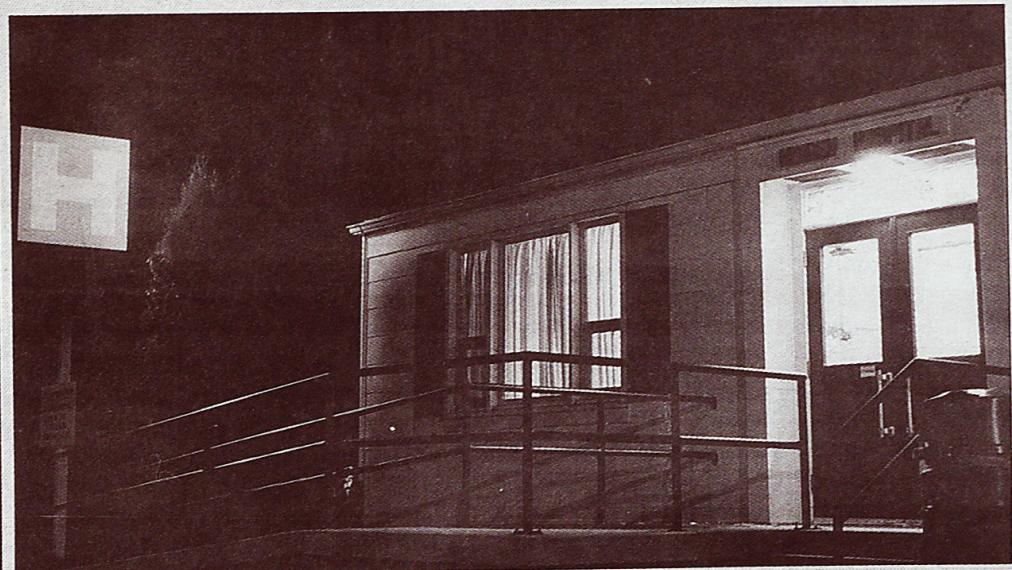
It is, in the larger picture, only a small reprieve for the facility, and one which really only partially reverses recent cuts. The facility has had a rough few years. Since April of 1995, it has lost its in-patient ward, and the majority of its staff. It's running on a skeleton staff basis now — an RN and an RPN through the days, an RN through most of the night. There is exactly one full time local doctor qualified to staff the wards — far too few to run a viable roster.

Thanks, however, to a new provincial program that funded doctors working rural emergency wards overnight, and to the efforts of a rotating crew of medical staff who commute from outside the county, there's a doctor in the building 24 hours. And whittled down though they are, the staff that's still on duty say things seem to be clicking again. Something, as one doctor puts it, of a miracle has happened here, considering what things looked like as recently as last year. Not only is the hospital still open, but it's doing some excellent emergency care.

The province's program pays doctors working in rural emergency wards \$70 per hour, if the traffic at the site is not high enough to fund them adequately through OHIP billings. That

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The lights will remain on



Minden Hospital will remain open 24 hours a day through the winter as a result of a decision by the Health Services Board on Friday.



With gleaming apples and a broad smile members of the local Minden Boy Scouts were out in force Saturday. The occasion was their annual Apple Day. Beavers Brandon Sutcliffe, left and Dillon Holmes were on duty in front of the Valu-mart in Minden.

Township buys Club 35

by Jerry Grozelle

Stanhope Township is buying the Club 35 property at Halls Lake. The purchase won't affect access to the facility by the existing members, who currently number about 45.

The building is used for euchre competitions and regular seniors' club meetings, as well as other functions.

Stanhope Reeve Jock Mavor said the building is also used for such functions as family gatherings, anniversary celebrations and other events which don't require space for more than 100 people.

"It has a very nice kitchen, central heating and air conditioning," Mavor said.

The purchase price for the facility was \$17,000, plus legal costs.

Stanhope councillor Murray Daniels, who is also a Club 35 member, explained that when the renovations were recently completed, the members' share of the \$177,000 cost was about \$77,000. Fund-raising efforts

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